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MS PATENT APPLICATION Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for filing a \square continuation \boxtimes divisional \square continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. \S 1.53(b) of pending prior Application No. 09/485,187 filed on June 26, 2000, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference, by

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for

PROCESS FOR INCREASING THE YIELD IN PLANTS BY EXPRESSING STABLY INTEGRATED RECOMBINANT POLYPEPTIDES

 Enclosed is an application consisting of specification, claims, declaration and drawings/photographs (if applicable). 2. \square The filing fee has been calculated as follows:

			LARGE ENTITY	SMALL ENTITY
	BASIC FEE		\$770.00	\$385.00
	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE FEE	RATE FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	12-20 =	0	x 18 = \$0.00	x 9 = \$0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3-3 =	0	x %8 = \$0.00	x 43 = \$0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED		+ \$290.00	+ \$145.00	
		TOTAL	\$1,060.00	\$0.00

3.	\boxtimes	A check in the amount of \$1,060.00 to cover the filing fee and recording fee (if applicable) is enclosed.
4.		Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this request is enclosed.
5.		Enclosed is/are <u>seventeen</u> (17) sheet(s) of formal drawings and/or photographs.
6a.		A statement claiming small entity status was filed in prior Application No. 09/485,187 on See the attached copy of the statement claiming small entity status.
6b.		The current application qualifies for small entity status.
7.	\boxtimes	The prior application is assigned to <u>Max-Planck-Gesellschaft zur Forderung der Wissenschaften e.V.</u> .
8.		A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
9a.		Priority of Application No(s) filed in on is/are claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on .

Priority of International Appln. PCT/EP98/04878 filed on August 5, 1998 under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and German Application No. 197 34 218.3 filed in

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Germany on August 7, 1997 under 35 U.S.C. § 120 and/or § 119 are hereby reclaimed.

- 10. An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.
- 11. Address all future communications to:

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- 12. An extension of time for one (1) month(s) until <u>January</u> 2, 2004 has been submitted in parent Application No. 09/485,187 in order to establish co-pendency with the present application.
- 13. Also enclosed herewith is the following:

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Respectfully submitted,

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